

*Dedicated to pouring God's love into the pockets of poverty both of body and soul.*



**LEWIS COUNTY GOSPEL MISSION**  
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Newsletter

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## Life is Not a Magazine

Life - is a **BATTLE - FOR YOUR SOUL** - and where you will spend eternity. Our choice determines our destination.

We at the Lighthouse Christian Resource Center here in Chehalis see this battle played out every day. Just last week, we saw the battle end for one of our patrons. Gene was a homeless, 67-year-old man that had been coming in to our rescue mission for some time.

He was found in his tent out where some of the homeless congregate in the woods, a victim of a major heart attack. He had no known relatives.

One of our Christian day volunteers had talked with Gene and he said that he believed in Jesus. We do not know if he received Christ as Lord and Savior of his life before he passed on into eternity.

Our main purpose here in the Lewis County Gospel Mission Lighthouse is to help our patrons make an intelligent decision on where they will spend eternity by teaching about our Creator and loving God and His plan for their lives.

Bob Chittenden  
Lighthouse Director

## What's Going on?

The Lighthouse is serving approximately 530 people each month. In November, 617 signatures graced the sign-in book.

Volunteers proved faithful yet again, with over 400 hours given in November alone.

## Thanksgiving Dinner

Thank you so much to all the volunteers who donated time and food to make the Thanksgiving Dinner so successful. An estimated 75 meals were served.

A special thank you to Barb Vigre for organizing the event.

## CHRISTMAS DINNERS

The youth at a local church chose to sponsor a meal Dec. 11 at the Lighthouse rather than having a Christmas Party.

Volunteers will have a special Christmas Dinner for the Lighthouse on Dec. 23.

Yet another volunteer will open the doors on Christmas Day for breakfast and lunch.

## PRAISES

- Definite decisions for Christ have been made by several of our patrons in recent months.
- Volunteers have been opening the Lighthouse on Saturday mornings.
- Due to the generous support of our partners in ministry, the Mission has purchased a dishwasher for the kitchen.
- Jail ministry, another facet of LCGM, is impacting lives for Christ.

HOW YOU CAN PARTNER WITH US

CURRENT NEEDS

- Pray that God will use this ministry to bring new believers to His kingdom.
- Pray that God will provide the workers for the Harvest.
- Pray that God will pour out his abundance of provision of materials and finances to keep the Lighthouse Resource Center open and effective.
- Join the other volunteers as they serve the patrons. Ask God if this is a mission field where He wants you to be his hands and feet.
- Ask your church if they would consider a food drive one month a year with proceeds coming to the Lighthouse. If twelve churches would make that commitment, our food pantry should never be lacking.
- Consider becoming a board member of the Lewis County Gospel Mission.
- Prayerfully consider contributing financially. Even a small regular donation helps. Note: LCGM is a non-profit agency with no administrative overhead. Your donations go directly to serving the needy in your community.
- Share your expertise through ministry. What you do for a living or a hobby may be useful to the condition of the Lighthouse or to the people it serves.
- Consider becoming a partner in the Jail Ministry program.

Food - our food pantry is nearly empty.

Top Ramen  
 Packaged Dinners  
 Macaroni and Cheese  
 Pasta  
 Beans (Dry, Pinto, Refried)  
 Canned meats  
 Canned Soup  
 Chili  
 Canned fruit  
 Canned vegetables  
 Hot Dogs and Buns  
 Relish, Mustard, Ketchup  
 Pancake Mix  
 Syrup  
 Coffee, sugar and creamer  
 Hot chocolate mix  
 Spaghetti Sauce

Warm coats and gloves.

Boots or shoes in good condition.

Tents, tarps and backpacks.

Sleeping bags, heavy blankets.

Socks and underwear (new)

Toilet Paper, Paper Towels and Kleenex.

Toothbrushes and toothpaste

Hairbrushes and combs

Bar Soap, Shampoo, Conditioner

Bleach, laundry soap, dishwasher soap

Liquid dish soap and hand soap

NIV or NAS Soft cover Bibles for Jail Classes

*For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me. Matthew 25:35,36*